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N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

STRACKE et al.

Group Art Unit: 1814

Appln. No. 07/822,043

Examiner: G. Bugaisky

Filed: January 17, 1992

Title: AUTOTAXIN: MOTILITY STIMULATING

PROTEIN USEFUL IN CANCER DIAGNOSIS

AND THERAPY

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August 10, 1992

RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 10, 1992; the period of response having been extended up to and including August 10, 1992 by payment of the requisite fee enclosed herewith.

The Examiner has required restriction under 35.U.S.C. \$121 to one of the following allegedly independent and distinct inventions:

I. Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 10 and 13-15 drawn to DNA encoding autotaxin and recombinant methods of its production;

II. Claims 3-6, 11, 12 and 16-17 drawn to autotaxin and peptides thereof; and

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